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Cars from an Amtrak train that derailed lie spilled onto Interstate 5 on Monday in DuPont, Washington. The train making the first-ever run along a faster new route hurtled off the overpass near Tacoma. BETTINA HANSEN/AP

Fatal derailment in Washington state

An Amtrak train making the first-ever run along a faster new route hurtled off an overpass south of Seattle on Monday and spilled some of its cars onto the highway below, killing at least three people, injuring more than 100 and crushing two vehicles, authorities said.

Attention quickly turned to the train's speed. A website that maps location and speed using data from Amtrak's train tracker app showed the train was going 81.1 mph about a quarter of a mile from the point where it derailed, where the speed limit is significantly lower.

Seventy-seven passengers and seven crew members were aboard when the train derailed and pulled 13 cars off the tracks. Authorities said there were three confirmed deaths and more than a dozen people with critical or serious injuries.

About two hours after the accident, a U.S. official who with others was briefed on the investigation said he was told at least six people were killed. No additional briefings were provided by late afternoon, and the official said he had no new information to explain the discrepancy in the numbers. **1B**

A volunteer carries a box of supplies from DuPont City Hall following a passenger-train derailment. GRANT HINDSLEY/AP

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Report: Halt hiring of border officers

Poor oversight leads to steady firings, study says

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Border Patrol agents are far more likely to be fired than employees at similar federal agencies, according to a study that calls for a hiring freeze at the agency tasked with securing the nation's borders.

The libertarian Cato Institute compared termination rates for Border Patrol — employee removals for misconduct or poor performance, among other reasons — with other agencies within the Department of Homeland Security. The DHS is home to several law-enforcement agencies with different missions related to protecting the nation's borders and ports of entry.

The report cites poor oversight of the approximately 20,000 Border Patrol agents as the primary cause for the

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How 1 person can force vote of City Council

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In February, the Phoenix City Council was forced to decide whether Phoenix would become a "sanctuary city" — a nickname given to communities with policies that protect immigrants in the country without legal paperwork from deportation.

It was a decision the council was not expecting to render, and one that most — if not all — of the council members did not want to make.

But a sentence included in Phoenix's governing document, approved

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Paradise Valley home sells for record $15.65M

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A tech company CEO paid $15.65 million for a mansion on Paradise Valley's Mummy Mountain. It's the priciest home sale ever to close in Arizona.

Steve Sanghi, founder of Chandler-based Microchip Technology, paid cash for the 14,200-square-foot home, according to public real-estate records. Gary Knight, vice chairman of Phoenix-based Knight Transportation, sold the 5-acre estate.

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The contemporary-style mansion has four bedrooms and eight bathrooms.

In 2006, Knight paid $3.95 million for the property Sanghi purchased Friday. The house appears to have been renovated and expanded by Knight.

Realty ONE Group agent Joan Levinson represented both the buyer and the seller but declined to comment.

The second-priciest house to sell in Arizona was also in Paradise Valley. In 2008, a Canadian attorney paid $14 million for a 10,000-square-foot mansion on 5 acres on Mummy Mountain.

This home was purchased by tech CEO Steve Samghi. JOAN LEVINSON/REALTY ONE

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT SPORTS, 1C

Phoenix Suns guard Isaiah Canaan reacts to a play during the second half against the Dallas Mavericks in Dallas on Monday. The Suns won 97-91. AP

Republic president will resign to take job at ASU

Mi-Ai Parrish, president of *The Arizona Republic* and azcentral.com, will resign that position effective Jan. 5 to fill an endowed faculty chair at Arizona State University. Parrish, 47, has been a prominent voice in the community while serving as the media company's leader for the past two years. **8A**

Dreamers push for DACA

Seven "dreamers," two from Arizona, purposely got arrested on Friday when they refused to leave the Washington, D.C., offices of two congressmen. **5A**

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